MEMORANDUM FOR: Deputy Director of Central Intelligence

SUBJECT:

Coordination and Issuance of Regulatory Material

REFERENCES:

(a) Memo dtd 13 Oct 56 to DD/S, DD/I, DD/P and IG, Subj: "Inspector General Survey of Agency Regulations"

(b) Memo dtd 15 Dec 56 to DDCI fr DD/S, Subj:
"Coordination and Issuance of Regulatory
Material"

- 1. This memorandum is for information only.
- 2. Paragraph 3. of reference (a) requested that a report be rendered indicating the effectiveness of action taken to reduce the time spent in coordination of proposed regulatory issuances.
- 3. The procedure implemented, as stated in paragraph 3.s. of reference (b), for a preliminary review in my Office of all new proposed issuances and for more rapid coordination within the Support offices has been extremely effective. We have stopped many non-essential proposals before any coordination was undertaken and have limited coordination to those elements within the Support services who have a legitimate concern with those Regulations determined appropriate for publication.
- 4. The Deputy Director (Plans) also makes an initial review of proposed Regulations forwarded to his Office for coordination. In this initial review, minimal essential coordination within the Clandestine Services is established, and suspense dates are fixed for completion of Deputy Director (Plans) position. The large backlog of proposed Regulations for which Deputy Director (Plans) coordination was long overdue has been eliminated. I am pleased to report that as of 1 March 1957 only six subjects of Regulations have been in coordination in Deputy Director (Plans) longer than six weeks and none of these date before 10 December 1956.
- 5. We must recognize that some subjects are extremely complex and require extensive coordination because of their widespread interest. In general, however, we find that our processing is so geared now that most issuances can be published within a few weeks after initial drafting.
  - 6. Continued efforts will be made to control the coordination

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process, and I feel we have an effective system to insure prompt publication of proposed regulatory issuances.

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